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February Transit Board Meeting Highlights

During the February meeting, the Board observed a moment of silence to honor the passing of retired Clallam Transit System (CTS) General Manager Daniel A. Di Guilio.

Joanna Sanders, MMC, City Clerk for the City of Port Townsend; Karen Kuznek-Reese, MMC, City Clerk for the City of Sequim; and Pam Kolacy, CMC, retired City Clerk for the City of Port Townsend, attended the meeting on behalf of the Olympic Region Municipal Clerks Association (ORMCA) to express their thanks to Mary E. Bower, CMC, (who is retiring in April 2018 after 36-plus years of service with the system), for her service and support of the continuing education and training provided by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. Mary was presented with a card and gift certificate from the clerks from all over the region. Mary expressed her appreciation for the association's support through the years.

Ed Bowen from Clallam Bay provided public comment regarding the proposed bus stops along Highway 101 at the Elwha Bridge. Mr. Bowen noted he was a heavy user of the Elwha Bridge and expressed concern about the proposed eastbound stop. He stated that the width of the highway may mitigate some issues. Mr. Bowen stated for the proposed westbound stop, pedestrians should not be crossing the bridge and that an access point and a trail system to the parking lot should be considered. He also recommended a restroom be placed in the parking lot.

Mr. Bowen also asked transit to be a voice for veterans. He noted that the new CTS service to the Bainbridge Island Ferry Terminal was a golden opportunity for vets to get to Seattle for good health care. Mr. Bowen further stated that assistance was needed to get veterans from the ferry terminal in Seattle to the VA hospital.

Other action included:

- Proclaimed March 18 as Transit Driver Appreciation Day in Clallam County, with celebration of the occasion on March 19.
- Approved revision to the 2018 CTS Non-represented Personnel Salary/Wages Schedule to combine the Executive Office Manager position with the Human Resources Administrator position and to set a salary level for the Administrative Services Manager position.
- Approved update to CTS Bylaws of the Clallam County Public Transportation Benefit Area (PTBA). Changes were primarily housekeeping in nature.
- Designated voting Board members to the Board's Administration and Finance and Operations and Maintenance Committees following a change in City of Port Angeles Board representation.

The next regular monthly Board meeting will be held on Monday, March 19, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. at the Sequim Transit Center, 190 West Cedar Street, Sequim, Washington.